



DEFENSE INSTITUTE FOR MEDICAL OPERATIONS (DIMO)  
Course Announcement  
“4th Annual HIV/AIDS Planning and Policy Development Course”  
MASL D175467  
Expanded IMET

**Description:** The Defense Institute for Medical Operations (DIMO), located at Brooks City-Base is offering a short course on HIV/AIDS Strategic Planning and Policy Development 10 – 18 December 2004. The theme of the course will be “HIV IS A MILITARY ISSUE”. The course will be held at a local hotel in San Antonio, Texas. The purpose of the course is to enhance the ability of senior civilian officials and military leaders to develop, implement and strengthen the effectiveness of HIV/AIDS policies for their militaries. The course will also assist participants in the development of strategies and policies to execute sustainable, effective programs for HIV prevention and consequence management. The course will address global and national perspectives on HIV/AIDS to include the following: Military Strategies, Medical Responses, Business Model Solutions to the Workforce, and The Impact on National Resources. Specific topics will include: Epidemiology in National Policy Decisions, Voluntary Testing and Counseling Programs and HIV Treatment, Treatment Policies and Populations, HIV/AIDS Policy in the U. S. Military, and Developing a National Security Strategy for HIV/AIDS.

**Design:** A faculty of experts will combine presentations on HIV/AIDS strategies and policy options utilizing group discussions, classroom exercises, and presentations by course participants on country-specific issues. The course is designed for senior level decision makers (grades 0-5/0-8 and civilian equivalents) and individuals who set policy for HIV/AIDS within their host country. Representatives from the Office of the Surgeon General, Ministry of Defense, Ministry of Health, and HIV program coordinators are examples of individuals who would comprise the ideal participant. Participants will be asked to bring information on their HIV/AIDS strategies and policies to present to others during the poster session.

**How Offered:** The HIV/AIDS course qualifies under expanded IMET (EIMET). Course MASL is D175467 and should be requested through AFSAT. Course duration is six (6) days. DIMO requests participants arrive on Friday, 10 December 2004. Registration will begin on Saturday, 11 December 2004. Participants should be prepared to provide a ten (10) minute presentation on their current HIV/AIDS strategies (unclassified). English comprehension level (ECL) of 80 is required. Interpretation in Spanish, French and Russian will be provided. Estimated tuition is \$2,240. For IMET-Sponsored students, SAOS are authorized to purchase roundtrip transportation and to pay IMS total living allowance entitlements at the time of departure (full advance). SAOS should annotate the amount paid and date in the remarks section of the ITO confirming payment of advance. The living allowance rate will be paid at the actual JTR per diem rate for San Antonio which is \$146 per day effective FY04 (FY05 rate TBD). This rate includes lodging, meals and incidentals. Personal rental vehicles are not needed. Information will be provided to SAOS regarding transportation to and from the airport and additional administrative details.

**Programming Information:** A registration form will be sent to SAOS and are due to the DIMO representative NLT 15 November 2004. Due to space limitations only 80 slots are available this year. Countries are requested to send a maximum of three (3) participants; however, if more than three quotas are desired, we recommend SAOS notify AFSAT and place additional quotas on standby. DIMO will coordinate with AFSAT in allocating additional quotas if space is available.

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